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FOR HOLBROOKE FROM MURPHY

EO 11652: GDS
TAGS: MARR, OVIP, RP (MURPHY, RICHARD W.)
SUBJECT: CONSULTATIONS

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1. I THINK CONSULTATIONS WOULD BE USEFUL, ESPECIALLY IF
MILITARY-TO-MILITARY TALKS RESUME WITHIN COMING DAYS AND
END RELATIVELY SOON AS BOTH ENRILE AND MARCOS HAVE IMPLIED.
WE WILL WANT TO BE READY TO TALK ABOUT COMPENSATION AND
JURISDICTION. BY SEPTTEL AM SUGGESTING TO WIDER AUDIENCE
NEED FOR REPACKAGING OUR PRESENTATION OF JURISDICTION ISSUE.

2. ONE QUESTION RE MY TRAVEL IS TIMING. ROMULO HAS JUST
TOLD ME THAT ENRILE, MENDOZA AND VIRATA WILL BE WITH HIM
IN N.Y. AT UNGA O/A OCTOBER 1. (HAVE NOT CHECKED WITH
ENRILE HOW LONG HE PLANS BE AWAY FROM MANILA.) THUS IT
APPEARS YOU COULD BE DRAWN AS EARLY AS OCTOBER INTO SOME
TYPE OF DISCUSSION ABOUT THE MBA WITH THAT GROUP. MY EARLY
DEPARTURE MAY STIMULATE SPECULATION RE PURPOSE OF TRAVEL
AND CREATE ASSUMPTION WE WILL BE READY FOR FRESH ATTACK ON
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BASIC REMAINING PROBLEMS. IF SO, TO MINIMIZE POSSIBLE
PROBLEMS PERHAPS YOU WOULD PREFER I STAY AT POST UNTIL LATE
SEPTEMBER. THIS WOULD ALSO ALLOW ME TO KEEP ABREAST OF
DEVELOPMENTS. (RECOGNIZE THIS HAS DISADVANTAGE OF TAKING
US INTO PERIOD OF YOUR OWN UNGA COMMITMENTS AND COMPLICA-
TING OUR GETTING TOGETHER.)

3. PLEASE ADVISE YOUR PREFERENCE RE TIMING MY OWN TRAVEL
AND ALSO WHETHER YOU THINK IT DESIRABLE I ATTEMPT PROBE
ENRILE AND/OR MENDOZA IN NEAR FUTURE FOR THEIR THINKING ON
JURISDICTION AND/OR SUGGEST OUR SIDE MAY WISH BROACH ISSUES
FOR NEXT STAGE OF NEGOTIATIONS DURING THEIR TIME IN STATES.
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